



March 20, 2018

Ms. Anne L. Weismann CREW 455 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Washington, DC 20001

Dear Ms. Weismann:

This is in response to your U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request (GSA-2017-001369) submitted on July 19, 2017, in which you requested the following information:

"First, CREW requests copies of all records from January 20, 2017 to the present explaining the decision of GSA, announced on July 11, 2017, to cancel the procurement for the new FBI headquarters consolidation project. This request includes, but is not limited to, records from GSA Public Buildings Service, GSA Office of the Administrator, and the National Capital Region.

Second, CREW requests copies of communications between GSA Regional Commissioner Mary Gibert and GSA Administrator Tim Horne from January 20, 2017 to the present concerning GSA's decision to cancel the procurement for the new FBI headquarters consolidation project.

Third, CREW requests copies of email communications between either Mary Gibert and Tim Horne and any individual at the eop.gov domain from January 20, 2017 to the present concerning GSA's decision to cancel the procurement for the new FBI headquarters consolidation project.

Fourth, CREW requests copies of communications between FBI officials and GSA concerning GSA's decision to cancel the procurement for the new FBI headquarters consolidation project.

Fifth, CREW requests copies of communications between the Office of Management and Budget and GSA concerning GSA's decision to cancel the procurement for the new FBI headquarters consolidation project.

Sixth, CREW requests copies of records sufficient to show the amount of federal funds expended to evaluate the final three locations designated by GSA as possible sites for the new FBI headquarters in Fairfax, Virginia and Prince George's County, Maryland."

GSA has interpreted your request to be for any and all records and communications which reflect the decision or rationale for canceling the FBI procurement. As such, please be advised that GSA has no responsive records to the first five (5) parts of your FOIA request. With respect to the sixth item of your request, we have enclosed responsive documentation.

Please note that GSA not having any responsive records to the first five (5) parts of your FOIA request is not a denial of records. You have the right to appeal the adequacy of GSA's search. As such, you may administratively submit an appeal online at the following link (<a href="https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home">https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home</a>) or in writing to the following address:

U.S. General Services Administration FOIA Requester Service Center (H1F) 1800 F St. NW, Room 7308 Washington, DC 20405

Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within 120 days of the date of the response to your request. In addition, your appeal must contain a brief statement of the reasons why the requested information should be released. Please enclose a copy of your initial request and this denial. Both the appeal letter and envelope or online appeal submission should be prominently marked, "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

This completes our action on this request. Should you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 219-3078 or by email at travis.lewis@gsa.gov. If you need additional assistance, you may also contact Ms. Audrey Brooks, GSA's FOIA Public Liaison at (202) 205-5912 or via email at audrey.brooks@gsa.gov.

Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at (202) 741-5770; toll free at (877) 684-6448; or facsimile at (202) 741-5769.

Sincerely,

## Travis Lewis

Office of Freedom of Information Act and Records Management
Office of Administrative Services

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